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**To:** DES SBCC <sbcc@des.wa.gov>

**Subject:** SBCC- I urge you to adopt commercial energy codes that align with climate and sustainability goals

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Dear Chair Klein and SBCC Councilmembers;

I am writing to strongly urge the SBCC to adopt commercial energy codes that align with climate and sustainability goals established at the local and state level. For instance, I support a commercial energy code that requires electric heat pump technology for water and space heating, as the fossil fuel counterparts of these appliances account for most of the emissions in our building sector.

Please see attached, a short proposal with suggested steps to address both the efficiency and the use of fossil fuels in our newest large buildings, which, once built, will be around for decades. The time to act is now - our future, and that of our children depends on the decisions we are currently making on issues such as these.

If you have any questions or would like more details, please feel free to contact the undersigned, or any of the organizations listed on the attached document.

Sincerely,

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